

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 592

By Terry

A RESOLUTION to recognize Slick Pig Bar-B-Q upon the celebration of its twentieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize those exemplary businesses that, through their unwavering commitment to excellence, are a credit to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such notable establishment is Slick Pig Bar-B-Q in Murfreesboro, which recently celebrated its twentieth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, to commemorate the celebration, the restaurant rolled back prices to match the lower prices offered on the restaurant's opening day, July 8, 1995; and

WHEREAS, Slick Pig Bar-B-Q opened up for business with just one meat smoker and three staff members, Jerry and Teresa Robinson and their son, John. The restaurant was only the fourth barbecue establishment in the Murfreesboro area; and

WHEREAS, now, twenty years later, the restaurant is known primarily for its hickory-smoked chicken wings, as well as the genuine welcome diners receive from "meat-and-greet" guy Jerry Robinson, who at sixty-seven years of age is the heart and soul of the restaurant; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Robinson served as an aircraft mechanic for eight years in the U.S. Navy, including carrier duty in the Vietnam War from 1965 to 1966. He also worked for Eastern Airlines from 1969 to 1991 in Atlanta and then for Carolina Motor Freight for five more years; and

WHEREAS, with the help of his son, John, who at the age of nineteen began managing a barbecue restaurant and who would eventually concoct the secret recipe for Slick Pig Bar-B-Q's famous hickory-smoked chicken wings, which is only known by five people, Jerry managed to find a new calling for himself and his wife in barbecue; and

WHEREAS, with time comes improvement, and Slick Pig Bar-B-Q is now equipped with five meat smokers, where the wings, pork, and ribs are grilled by sixteen "Slick Piggers" strictly over hickory wood; and

WHEREAS, Jerry and Teresa Robinson have five children, including John, and fifteen grandchildren, which bodes well for the future of Slick Pig Bar-B-Q and the continuation of its tradition; and

WHEREAS, a barbecue gem in Murfreesboro, Slick Pig Bar-B-Q has built its legacy upon exceptional service and delicious food, which stand as a timeless testament to the restaurant's quality; and

WHEREAS, the Robinson family has operated Slick Pig Bar-B-Q with expertise and integrity, and they are wholly deserving of special recognition; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize the owners and employees of Slick Pig Bar-B-Q for their tireless dedication to quality, congratulate them on the restaurant's twentieth anniversary, and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.